MINUTES

OF THE

BIG IVY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD AT CANY RIVER MEETING-HOUSE,

Yancy County, N. C.,

On the 18th, 19th and 20th of August, 1843.

The sermon introductory to business was delivered by Elder William C. Berry, from Psalms 50th chap. 2nd verse.

1. Received and read letters from 13 Churches, and enrolled their delegates' names.

2. Chose Wm. C. Berry Moderator, and L. Palmer Clerk.

3. Read our rules of decorum.

4. Received a letter of correspondence from the East Tennessee Association, by their messenger Morgan Williams, who friendly took a seat with us.

5. The following committees were then appointed, viz.: Samuel Byrd, C. M. Phillips, with the Moderator and Clerk, a committe of arrangement, to arrange the unfinished business and report to-morrow morning; John Shepherd and Edward Carter a committee of finance, to report when called on; Wm. Dewees, D. Carter, Thomas J. Rollens, Moses Patterson and E. Stuart a committee on union meetings, to report before the Association rises.

6. Appointed Elder Wm. C. Berry to write a letter of correspondence to the East Tennessee Association—C. M. Philips and Samuel Byrd to bear it; Samuel Byrd to write to the Mount Zion Association—Bro. D. Carter to convey said letter on.

7. Adjourned until to-morrow ten o'clock.

SATURDAY.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. Manning.

8. The report of the committee of arrangement called for; received and they discharged.

9. Query from Avery's Creek Church—What shall a Church do with a member that general report go to say is living in disorder? Answer: The

Church should call on such in the spirit of meekness, and if he or she fail to give satisfaction, exclude them.

10. Query from Avery's Creek—How shall we act toward a minister who holds a letter of dismission and continues to exercise his ministerial functions? Answer: As such minister, by taking a letter, debars himself of all church privileges, we advise all Churchs to act with care and caution toward such, having due regard to his motives and conduct.

11. Amended the 2nd aarticle of our constitution. Amendment—That the delegation shall include the ministers and some of the most able members, and shall be recommended by letter from the Church to which they belong.

12. Appointed the next Association at Boiling Spring, Spartanburg District, S. C., commencing Friday before the third Sabbath in August, 1844. Elder Charles M. Phillips to preach the Association sermon, and L. Buckhannan his alternate.

13. In persuance of some resolutions entered into by the Association, respecting a general meeting, and published in our Minutes of 1841, the Association proceeded to appoint delegates to said meeting, to be held with Pleasant Grove Church, Cocke county, East Tennessee, commencing Friday preceding the fourth Sabbath in this instant, viz.: C. M. Phillips, D. Carter, William Dewees, S. Byrd and L. Palmer to attend said meeting.

14. Appointed five Union Meetings, as follows:—1st. At White Oak Creek, Friday before the first Sabbath in October, 1843—Elders Wm. C. Berry, C. M. Phillips, J. M. Bryan and J. Midcalf to attend. 2nd. At Smyrna, Friday before the second Sabbath in November—Elders Peterson, Jesse Ray, Midcalf, Phillips and Bryan to attend. 3rd. At Avery's Creek, Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in October—Elders Peterson, Buckhannan, James Ray, Dewees, Berry and Arrowood to attend. 4th. At Burning Town, Friday before the third Sabbath in October—Elders Peterson, Berry, Phillips and Bryan to attend. 5th. At Middle Fork, Friday before the fourth Sabbath in November—Elders Peterson, Silver, Berry, Rollins, Buckhannan and Wheeler to attend.

15. Appointed the Clerk to superintend the printing of these Minutes, and have four hundred copies struck, and distribute them among the Churches, reserving fifty copies for corresponding Associations.

16. The committee of finance report that they find in the hands of the

Treasurer,	$11 32
Received from Churches,	10 12½
Aggregate,	$21 44½

17. Corresponding letters called for and received.

18. Appointed Elders Berry and Manning to preach to-morrow—service to commence at ten o'clock.

Adjourned to the time and place above named.

WILLIAM C. BERRY, *Moderator.*

L. PALMER, *Clerk.*

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STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

	CHURCHES.	DELEGATES' NAMES.	BAPTISED.	REC'D BY LET.	DISMISSED.	EXCLUDED.	RESTORED.	DEAD.	NO. MEMBERS	CONTRIBUTIONS.
	1 Cany River,	J. Shepherd, J. McKleroy, S. Wilson, *S, Bird*,		1				2	45	1 25
	2 Liberty,	S. Carter, J. A. Buckner, L. Palmer,			3				39	1 31¼
	3 Middlefork,	J. MIDCALF, J. RAY, D. Carter, B. Duck, E. Carter,			8	1			61	1 50
	4 White Oak,	L. BUCKHANNAN, J. Gouge, J. Buckhannan,	4	1	1		1		31	1 00
	5 Toe River,	John Baly, JAMES ARROWOOD,	1			4			15	22½
	6 Smyrna,	Thomas Robinson,			2				16	
3	7 Avery's Creek,	A. Creasman, E. Stuart, A. B. Carlen,	1		4		1	1	26	90
	8 Beaver Creek,	J. Carpenter, Isaac Cox, J. Hopsten,	6						29	1 15
	9 Boiling Spring,	*T. J. Rollens*, Wm. C. Berry,	5	3	1	2	2	1	69	95
	10 Bolen's Creek,	J. Wheeler, James Riddle,	33	1	3	5	1		52	80
	11 Burning Town,	WILLIAM DEWEES,	1						20	40
	12 Green Mountain,	Jeremiah Hughes, J. W. Ayers, J. Riddle,		1	1				19	25
	13 Gabriel's Creek.	C. M. PHILLIPS, John Fox, William Sprinkle, Mathew Lewis,	21	7	14	1			47	58¾
		Total,	72	14	37	13	5	4	467	10 12½

Ordained ministers' names in SMALL CAPITALS.
Licentiates in *Italics*.

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